

National Weather Service Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



February 2002 Time Local/ Path Length Path Number of Estimated Width Persons Damage MINNESOTA, Central and South Central MNZ078-085-091>093 Goodhue - Steele - Martin - Faribault - Freeborn 0000CST 0400CST Winter Storm 0 0 A low pressure system moved into central Illinois from Iowa by the mid-evening hours on the 31st, and then moved northeast into the eastern Great Lakes region by the early afternoon of February 1st. Some specific snowfall totals for this two day event (as also noted in the January Storm Data) include 8 inches at Fairmont, 7 inches at Red Wing, and 6 inches at Albert Lea MNZ041>042-047>048-Douglas - Todd - Stevens - Pope - Meeker - Renville - Mcleod - Sibley - Redwood - Brown - Nicollet - Watonwan - Blue 058-065>067-073>075-Earth - Martin - Faribault - Freeborn 082>083-091>093 0700CST Winter Storm 10 0100CST Low pressure strengthened over eastern Nebraska, then moved to Illinois. It produced two swaths of significant snow, then strong wind caused blowing snow and near zero visibility in the wide open prairies from west central into south central Minnesota. Some heavier snow totals include 7 inches at Springfield, 6.4 inches at Cokato, 6 inches at Long Prairie and Brownton. Winds of 25 to 35 mph were common. Douglas - Todd - Stevens - Pope - Stearns - Lac Qui Parle - Swift - Chippewa - Kandiyohi - Meeker - Yellow Medicine -MNZ041>042-047>049-054>058-064>066-073 Renville - Mcleod - Redwood High Wind (M56) Strong low pressure tracked across southern Canada, and high pressure moved into the high plains states. Very strong west to northwest winds developed as a result. The strongest gust was 56 knots (64 mph) measured at two locations: Madison (Lac Qui Parle County) with AWOS, and near Hanley Falls (Yellow Medicine County) with a Road Weather Information System (RWIS). The highest sustained wind was 44 knots (51 mph) at Madison. Some other gusts include 63 mph at Willmar and Alexandria. MNZ042>045-049>050-Todd - Morrison - Mille Lacs - Kanabec - Stearns - Benton - Meeker 058 24 0500CST Winter Storm 2000CST Six to nine inches snow fell as low pressure developed over Kansas and moved into Wisconsin. Winds were typically 15 to 25 mph, causing only a little drifting snow. Some accumulations include 9 inches at Little Falls, 8 inches at Mora, 7.5 inches at Litchfield, 7 inches at St. Cloud and Milaca, and 6 inches at Long Prairie. WISCONSIN, West WIZ024>028 Pierce - Dunn - Pepin - Chippewa - Eau Claire 0000CST Winter Storm 0400CST

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